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Early week prices were unchanged to higher in all areas. Through out the week prices remained unchanged in all regions. The market tone was steady. Demand was light to good, mostly light to moderate and was best where featured. Supplies were adequate. Nest run breaking stock mostly prices were 1 to 3 cents lower and checks and undergrades were down 5 cents. Offerings were adequate to available for the very light demand. Buyers continue to bid sharply lower prices. Floor stocks were adequate. Trade sentiment was weak. Light type hens were sufficient for current processing needs.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	107-109	104-106	70-72
New York	83-85	80-83	71-74
Philadelphia	79-83	77-81	69.5-71
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	76-77	74.5-76	63-64
Jackson (1)	84-85	83-84	72-73
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	84-99	83-97	71-85
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	73-78	72-77	63-68
Detroit (2)	70-73	69-72	59-62
Major Ohio Cities (2)	71-77	70-75	60-66
Major Wisconsin Cities	74-81	72-79	63-70
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	92-95	88-91	78-81
Southern California(Grade AA)(4)	96-108	94-101	86-92
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	112	104	96

(1) - Prices reported weekly
(2) - Delivered Warehouse
(3) - Reported Invoice prices

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 3-Nov-00
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A
A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED
STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	80.60	78.22	71.16
SOUTHERN	78.18	76.47	69.54
MIDWEST	69.41	68.17	62.26
WESTERN	98.39	92.91	84.34
TWELVE METRO AREAS	84.18	80.99	73.67

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED
BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO
PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES
EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	11-07-00	11-03-00	11-09-99
Large	52-54	52-54	41-43
Medium	43-45	43-45	30-32

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM Nov 06,2000
STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	9.5	18.2	6.9	15.2	9.0
	Change	-0.4	2.3	-3.1	0.9	1.0
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.4	37.1	14.0	39.6	19.7
	Change	-0.8	-2.6	-0.5	8.2	-1.8
Large	Curr Wk	55.5	96.3	62.8	104.9	92.2
	Change	-0.1	0.1	-0.8	18.6	-4.0
Medium	Curr Wk	13.5	35.9	15.8	21.8	23.9
	Change	2.2	4.0	0.8	2.0	2.3
Small	Curr Wk	3.9	8.6	1.5	5.7	7.2
	Change	1.4	0.1	-1.5	-1.2	0.4
Misc	Curr Wk	4.4	20.6	9.1	12.6	5.5
	Change	-1.6	2.9	1.0	0.8	0.6
Ungraded	Curr Wk	37.8	41.8	19.0	27.7	37.9
	Change	2.9	5.0	3.8	4.2	-1.6
Total	Curr Wk	151.0	258.5	129.1	227.5	195.4
Percent	Change	2%	5%	0%	17%	-2%
TOTAL		Number of	Percent	Number of		
		Cases	Change	Cooperators		

Shell Egg	961.5	5%	171
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	405.1	3%	39

Total Shell Egg 1366.6 4% 210

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 171 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

The five inventory areas are identified as:

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central- IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central- AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic- AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION W/E 04-NOV-00 **TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES-** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

	(LBS IN THOUSANDS)		(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)			
	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED.
CW	1,138,049	27,733	11,186	5,904	2,120	3,957
PW	1,193,620	28,468	11,128	5,929	2,257	4,108
LY	1,154,744	26,056	11,133	6,283	2,465	3,938
% PW	-5	-3	1	0	-6	-4
% LY	-1	6	0	-6	-14	0
2000	51,535,586	1,168,062	517,797	277,880	123,067	171,740
1999	49,184,918	1,133,721	469,749	257,028	113,529	156,022

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -		
CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST
WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
42.86	41.58	41.06

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT FOR W/E 04-NOV-00
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENTCHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	216.3	1	-6
E.N. CENTRAL	486.8	2	-1
W.N. CENTRAL	245.6	-1	1
S. ATLANTIC	202.3	4	1
S. CENTRAL	80.5	-1	3
WEST	206.6	2	-7
TOTAL	1,438.1	1	-2
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		91	91

	SE		NE		MW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	59.33	63.63	57.50	59.00	59.75	64.00	29.50
GNR W 2	62.00	63.75	55.50	57.00	45.00	—	7.00
GNR W 3	—	—	—	—	52.50	54.00	7.00
GL W XL	—	—	64.50	66.92	61.13	64.00	14.25
GL W LG	—	—	61.25	63.00	61.10	63.00	28.50
GL W MD	51.00	58.00	50.00	55.00	49.60	—	12.00
GL W SM	28.75	31.00	28.10	30.10	—	—	6.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	47.00	48.50	—	49.25	7.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	44.33	47.93	23.50
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	47.50	42.25	4.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 04-NOV-00

SELECTED CONSUMING CENTERS	CW THOUSANDS	PW THOUSANDS	PERCENT CHG PW	LY
ATLANTA	22.3	22.4	0	-33
BOSTON	3.9	4.5	-13	26
CHICAGO	43.3	48.7	-11	-6
DETROIT	31.9	27.6	16	28
KANSAS CITY	4.0	5.0	-20	18
LOS ANGELES	122.8	110.3	11	34
NEW ORLEANS	8.6	10.2	-16	-39
NEW YORK	31.6	34.1	-7	-10
ST. LOUIS	19.9	13.7	45	21
SAN FRANCISCO	18.9	21.4	-12	-4
TOTAL	307.2	297.9	3	7
4 WK MVG AVG	297.5			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 04-NOV-2000

	YOUNG (A)		YOUNG	OLD TOTAL	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	2,767	3,417	45	36	6,265
AVG WT	16.10	31.22	23.85	26.06	24.46
LAST WEEK	2,719	3,056	81	2	5,858
SAME WEEK YR AGO	6,334(B)		21	15	6,370
AVG WT	23.85(B)		26.05	29.60	23.87
TO-DATE/2000	214,390(B)		1,483	1,178	217,051
TO-DATE/1999	213,711(B)		674	1,611	215,996

(A) Includes 166,000 fryer/roasters in 2000 and 55,000 in 1999.
(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS				WEEK ENDING 04-NOV-2000			
—YOUNG TURKEYS—				FRYER	OLD	TOTAL	TKY
THOUSAND	PW	AVG		RSTR	BAND		AVG
HEAD	% CHG	WT		---THOUSAND HEAD---			WT
N EAST	1,072	4	21.72	(A)	(A)	1,079	21.72
S ATL	1,012	18	25.72	(A)	(A)	1,019	25.72
N CENT	2,646	3	27.10	(A)	(A)	2,654	27.16
S CENT	749	22	19.39	(A)	(A)	756	19.39
WEST	750	-5	22.38	(A)	(A)	757	22.38
U.S.TOTAL	6,229(B)	6	24.45	0	36	6,265	24.46
TO DATE							
2000	215,707(B)			166	1,178	217,051	
TO DATE							
1999	214,330(B)			55	1,611	215,996	
(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.							
(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: for the week 45,000 for the year 1,483,000; last year to date 674,000.							

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 16-Dec-00 IS ESTIMATED AT 142.9 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 144.4 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 144.1 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 153.3 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 58.11 CENTS PER POUND.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 04-Nov-2000 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	156,627(A)	1,943	1,306	3,249	510
AVG WT	5.01	3.26	7.85	5.11	6.08
LAST WEEK	153,982	1,829	1,492	3,321	383
YR AGO	154,731	1,785	1,416	3,201	433
AVG WT	5.12	3.36	7.80	5.33	6.64
TO-DATE/2000	6,807,265	83,567	64,001	147,568	19,720
TO-DATE/1999	6,683,638	91,337	62,399	153,736	19,429

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 150.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 158.5 million head or 8.3 million head more than or 106 percent of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 11-Nov-00

	CURRENT WEEK 11/11/00(1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 11/04/00
	-----THOUSAND HEAD-----	
CLASS		
BRO-FRY	155,374(2)	159,331
LT HENS	1,760	1,890
HVY HENS	1,578	1,432
TOTAL	158,712	162,653

(1)ESTIMATED

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 11-Nov-00 is 147.1 million head compared to 150.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 155.7 million head or 8.6 million more than estimated available. For week of 18-Nov-00 the estimated available is 144.4 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	PCT	AVG WT
SEPTEMBER 30	157.3	150.2	105	4.96
OCTOBER 7	155.8	150.9	103	5.16
14	152.3	150.8	101	5.07
21	158.2	151.5	104	4.97
28	155.9	151.9	103	5.14
NOVEMBER 4	158.5	150.2	106	5.01
YEAR TO DATE	6892.5	6754.8	102	
NOVEMBER 11		147.1		
18		144.4		

12-CITY COMPOSITE WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

	Change from		
6-Nov-00	30-Oct-00	30-Oct-00	8-Nov-99
58.44	0.21	58.23	59.46

NUMBER OF LOADS 587

READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS

FINAL REPORT OF PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR TRUCKLOT SALES OF READY-TO-COOK ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED B/F TO BE DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS WEEK OF 11/06-11/10/00.

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG
Chicago	47.00-51.00	51.78	49	54.15
Los Angeles	66.00	64.51	64	63.21
New York	52.00-55.00	53.17	29	56.33

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	81-82	81	81.00	1120
CENTRAL REGION 4/	79-82	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	81-82	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	73-74	74	74.00	1280
CENTRAL REGION	71-74	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	73-74	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -

SELECTED STGE CENTERS FEDERAL-STATE (INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 6-Nov-00	5,117	128,816	72,410
AM 1-Oct-00	4,215	156,571	69,164
CHG	902	-27755	3246
PCT CHG	21	-18	5

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of September 30, 2000 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on November 1, 2000 are:

FROZEN EGGS	18	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5.02 PCT
TURKS	436	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 5.00 PCT
POP	863	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS 4.98 PCT

HEN MARKETS

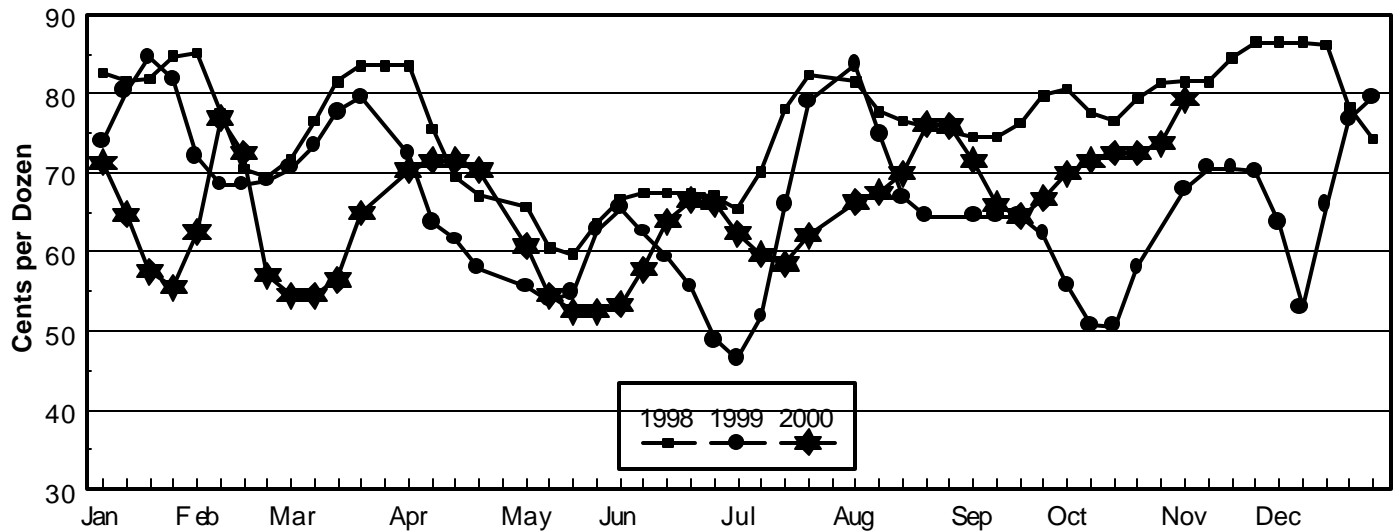
Cents Per Pound, Generally for slaughter the following week.

	HEAVY TYPE		WTD. AVG
11/06/00	RANGE	MAJORITY	
Southeast	2.25-8.5(1)	3.25-6	4.98
Southeast	TFEWR(2)		
South Central	3-9(1)	4-6	5.88
11/03/00	LIGHT TYPE		
Eastern	0-0(1)		
Eastern	0-0 2)		
So. Central	TFEWR(2)		
No. Central	TFEWR(1)		
No. Central	0-.25(2)		
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading			
(2) At Farm Producer Loading			

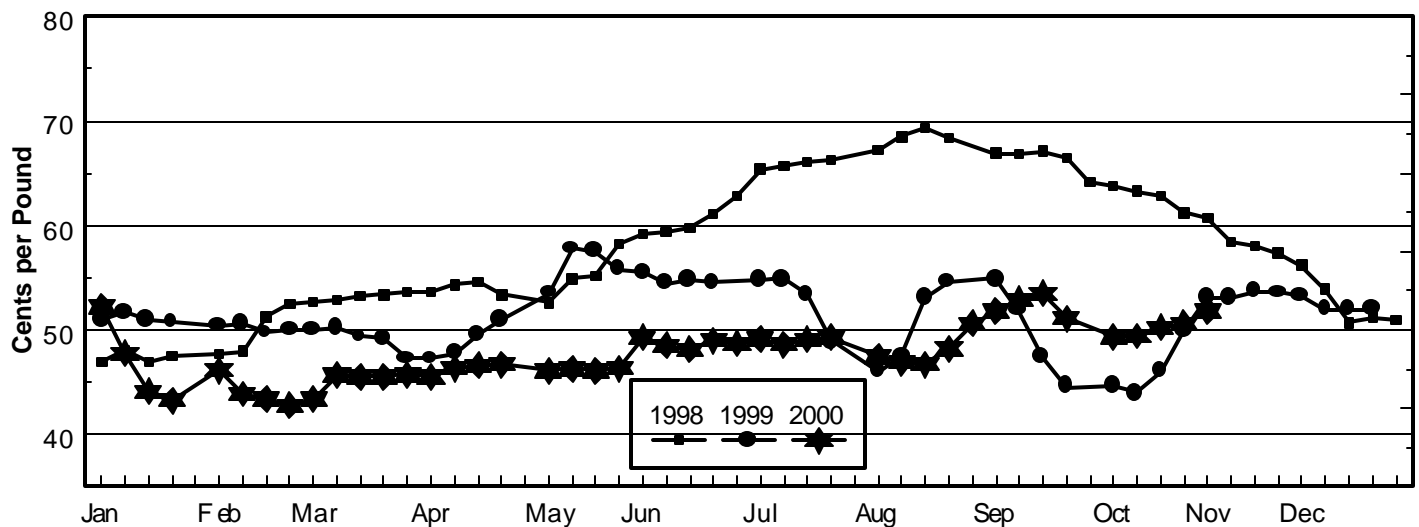
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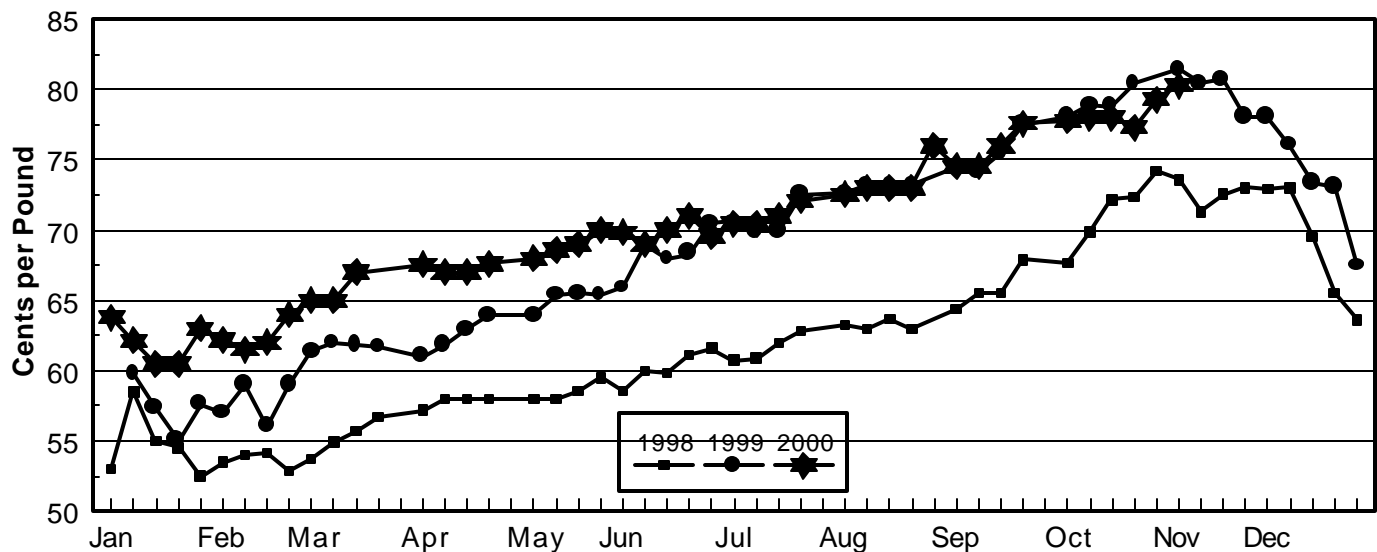
New York Large Egg Weekly Average Price, 1998, 1999, 2000



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Final Weighted Average Prices, US Grade A, 1998, 1999, 2000



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys, 1998, 1999, 2000



Note: Some weeks' averages are based on offers only.